

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

9. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for punching holes through a moving transported continuous film comprising:

a framework,

at least one roller attached to said framework;

an optical encoder attached to the at least one roller, the encoder being able to determine the amount of revolutions made by the at least one roller;

at least one punch assembly containing a steel ball to strike a circular hole in a die connected to said framework;

at least one solenoid valve connected to said at least one punch assembly including a steel ball;

at least one compressed air source connected to said at least one solenoid valve;

a computer communicably attached to said optical encoder and communicably attached to the at least one solenoid valve;

wherein the computer is programmed to actuate the at least one solenoid valve after the at least one roller has made a predetermined number of revolutions as determined by the optical encoder.

10. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

17. (Canceled)